

OFFICE MEMORANDUM . UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-3267) DATE: 7/18/60
FROM : SA MERLE L. PARKER
SUBJECT: AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES
UNION (ACLU)
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On 7/5/60, MATTHEW CVETIC, a former Bureau informant in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, furnished a note from a contact of his, [redacted] which enclosed a report apparently received by her from [redacted] in which he submitted a report covering a meeting of the ACLU on 6/24/60. This ACLU meeting, as contained in this report, is set out as follows:

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"Last Friday, June 24th, I attended a meeting of the American Civil Liberties Union at the home of [redacted] I have often read and heard reports of the ACLU's pro-communist activities, so I decided to find out for myself. Any doubts I had were completely dispelled.

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"After a brief business meeting, which was conducted by the local [redacted] of A.C.L.U. the speaker of the evening was introduced. The speaker was Mr. FRANK WILKINSON, who gave a report on the student demonstration in protest of the San Francisco House Un-American Activities Committee hearings as well as a general progress report on the ACLU's effort to force complete abolition of the House Un-American Activities Committee.

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- cc: 100-16439 (FRANK WILKINSON) (SI)
- 100-53044 (MATTHEW CVETIC)
- 100-25365 (STRATEGY IN INDUSTRY)
- 100-24350 (RELIGION)
- 100-33973 (FIRST UNITARIAN CHURCH)
- 100-47309 (FRIENDS SERVICE COMMITTEE)
- 100-16080 (FOR)
- 100-28977 (WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE FOR PEACE AND FREEDOM)

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"Here is a bit of background on Mr. WILKINSON. He was dismissed from the post of Director of Information for the Los Angeles Housing Authority after he refused to answer questions regarding his Communist Party Membership before the California Committee on Un-American Activities on October 28, 1952. He served as Secretary of the 'Citizens Committee to Preserve American Freedoms'. He is on the National Council of the 'Emergency Civil Liberties Union'. His name appears on the letterhead of the 'Los Angeles Committee for the Protection of the Foreign Born'. He is presently serving as National Secretary of the 'American Civil Liberties Union'.

"At least two of these very patriotic sounding organizations have already been named as subversive by agencies of our government. These are just a few of Mr. WILKINSON's many pro-communist affiliations. In all, he has been cited at least forty times by the House Un-American Activities Committee and the California Committee on Un-American Activities for his various subversive affiliations.

"Those present at this ACLU meeting were well aware of Mr. WILKINSON's background and activities. To my amazement and horror, instead of treating him like the traitor he obviously is, they gave him a very warm welcome.

"His address to this group was a masterpiece. He very cleverly left the impression that the entire population of the Bay Area had spontaneously risen in protest against the evil and sinister House Un-American Activities Committee. He spoke of the wonderful support the students had received from such great organizations as the Unitarian Church and [redacted] Longshoremen's Union, which should not surprise anyone. He also claimed the support of Episcopal and Catholic Clergy, which is hard to swallow. According to him, the real hero of the affair was a sweet little guy named [redacted] who is a Communist of long standing and an organizer for the Long Shoremen's Union.

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"From what I could piece together, I got the feeling that he (WILKINSON) and [redacted] had organized the demonstrations which were supposed to have been spontaneous! He gave vivid descriptions of the brutality of the San Francisco Police, and made some very derogatory remarks about [redacted] who is an investigator for the HUAC. The climax of his address was a report on the progress that has been made toward complete abolition of the House Un-American Activities Committee by the ACLU.

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"The House Un-American Activities Committee is one of the most successful and one of the few remaining agencies devoted to exposing Communists in our schools, governments, churches, and other key places. It is very disturbing to me to see a glagrantly subversive organization like the American Civil Liberties Union operating undisturbed in our Community. It is more disturbing to see men like [redacted] taking part in pro-communist activities

[redacted] As long as loyal and patriotic citizens remain passive this sort of thing will continue undisturbed and successful. I wonder what we would have done in 1942 if [redacted] had had a German-American Bund meeting at his home. I think that our newspapers are neglecting a very important duty by failing to alert people to Communist activity here at home.

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"In closing I would like to offer congratulations to [redacted] with whom I agree completely.

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"Sincerely,

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Appropriate names are being indexed, and it is being recommended that a copy of this channelizing memo be furnished to the Santa Ana Agent for information.

ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed concerning the above and could add nothing further.

All other necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

SAC PHILADELPHIA (100-2819)

7/28/60

SAC PITTSBURGH (100-6416)



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(OO: Philadelphia)

(Bufile: 100-38284)

Re Los Angeles letter to Pittsburgh, 7/14/60, captioned,
"MATTHEW CVETIC, Former SI, Pittsburgh Division."

One autostat of re Los Angeles letter, which indicates
that CVETIC believes subject may be presently employed
in Los Angeles, is enclosed for Philadelphia.

Philadelphia is requested to advise Los Angeles of
subject's present whereabouts.

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Beware of Red Lures, Letter Warns Pauling

Just before starting east from my Hollywood home on a national speaking tour, I noticed Dr. Linus Pauling's letter in The Times.

I am accordingly taking time to comment on his reply to columnist Holmes Alexander.

Dr. Pauling, who wants nuclear bomb testing stopped, said his integrity and patriotism had been questioned by Mr. Alexander.

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However, I don't think the matter in question is quite that simple.

Dr. Pauling said he is worried about "reprisals" against "enthusiastic, idealistic, high-minded workers for peace" by the House Committee on Un-American Activities and by the Senate Committee on Internal Security.

Dr. Pauling said he has observed the workings of these committees. It is apparent he hasn't observed them closely enough.

As a government witness, I have appeared before both committees on numerous occasions and have had the opportunity to observe them at first-hand.

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I have found these committees concerned with one matter only—the security of this nation.

The two committees have exerted much effort in attempting to ascertain the depth of the Red-Fascist conspiracy in this country.

It is sad to relate that, because of rabid political opportunism rampant in Washington, the last two Congresses have done

little or nothing to provide effective legislation against the espionage, conspiracy, sedition and treason of which Red agents here have been guilty.

Dr. Pauling says he doesn't like war. No sane person likes war—nor the massacres and other forms of mass killing practiced by the Communists.

Those of us who understand Communist treachery realize that the most stupid thing Americans could do would be to render ourselves defenseless against the Red mass murders by disarming.

The last 42 years are replete with the record of mass murders by Communists. If we want to invite the same thing for ourselves, all we need do is listen to the "peace-at-any-price" voices, many of whom, without realizing it, are being coached from behind the scenes by Red agents.

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Having posed as a Communist while obtaining evidence for our FBI, I know what the Communists' real plans are for do-gooders who follow the siren song of "peace and co-existence."

Our best defense against the Communist conspirators is to stay strong economically, militarily, morally and physically.

Our best assurance against the kind of war and mass-killing of which Dr. Pauling says he's afraid is to heed the advice of Teddy Roosevelt:

"Speak softly, but carry a big stick."

MATT CVETIC
Phoenix, Ariz.

LOS ANGELES TIMES

DATE 8-8-60

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SAC, Philadelphia (100-2819)

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By letter to Pittsburgh 7/14/60 captioned "MATTHEW CVETIC, Former SI Pittsburgh Division" the Los Angeles Office advised CVETIC currently a resident of Los Angeles and thought one [Redacted] at [Redacted]

[Redacted] might be identical with the subject.

On 8/16/60 [Redacted]

[Redacted] Philadelphia, Pa., whose identity must be protected, advised that the subject [Redacted] had moved from [Redacted] and had given a forwarding address as follows: [Redacted]

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[Redacted] is undoubtedly subject [Redacted] New York file #100-96762.

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New York is requested to verify subject's residence as listed above.

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- 2 - New York (RM)
- ① - Los Angeles (Info) (RM) (100-53044)
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- 2 - Philadelphia (100-2819)

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VINCENT X. FLAHERTY

Reds, Nazis
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Evil



SOME MOVIE producers say it is okay to hire a Communist writer, because you don't hire him because of his political beliefs, but because of his talent. So when I ask them why, then, don't they hire a Nazi on the same stupid basis, they throw up their hands in horror? Is the ideology of Naziism worse than Communism?

There is nothing to choose between these two blood brothers of treachery and evil. Hitler ridiculed anyone who believes in God. So does Khrushchev.

Matt Cvetic worked for the FBI nine years, posing as a Communist among Communists. He wrote "The Big Decision," the story of his years as a counter spy. Cvetic tells me:

"I can assure any thinking American that the only difference between communism and Naziism is that one can be called Red Fascism—the other, Black Fascism. Their techniques are parallel, even to the point where they perpetuate themselves in power with concentration camps and mass murder."

CVETIC CONTINUED: "Actually, in the spring of 1941, the Nazi and Soviet agents worked together against the United States. Having watched both sides in operation in the early 1940's, I sized them up as jackals of different shades, working toward the same end, and with the use of the same techniques—treachery, deceit, double talk and all the trappings of the average confidence man."

Cvetic was abused and ostracized when he was secretly hired by the FBI. His wife and son suffered. So did his mother and father. Everyone believed him to be a real Communist, including his family.

Finally, after a seeming eternity of torment and suffering, he emerged as a hero and was cited and applauded by Congress when his secret role was exposed.

He had worked nine years in the inner circle of the Communist movement in the United States and had supplied the FBI with an enormous amount of information.

Cvetic was a part of the very start of the national undercover Communist campaign to gain control over American youth. The campaign was (and is) a direct copy of the technique Hitler used to win over the youth of Germany. Not until Hitler converted German youth was he able to launch full scale Naziism.

LOS ANGELES EXAMINER
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THE MAIN youth targets for the Communists in the United States are the high schools and colleges. The most recent example of the effectiveness of this campaign was the deplorable student riots in San Francisco against the House Un-American Activities Committee.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation proved this disgraceful outburst was fomented by known Communists. They were even photographed by FBI agents among the crowds of students.

High school officials are astounded when they learn some instructor has surreptitiously slipped in lurid questionnaires in the guise of regular classroom work. It has happened here and in every major city in America.

Communistic pamphlets, scattered throughout the country by Communists, land on every college campus. In other words, stories of the Communist drive to convert youth are no myths.

So when a man tells me he will hire a Communist writer because the writer's political beliefs are of no concern, I ask him to hire a Nazi because some of them have talent, too. After all, these perfidious people are brothers and there should be no discrimination.

Date received 9/22/60	Received from (name or symbol number) Matt Cvetic	Received by SAC Simon
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Method of delivery (check appropriate blocks)
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If orally furnished and reduced to writing by Agent:
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Brief description of activity or material

Remarks:

Literature:
① Blue pamphlet "The Big Decision"
② White pamphlet: "First in a Series of anti-communist Mass Meetings"
Fri Sept 30, 7:30 PM.

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2ND FEATURE

★ Friday, Sept. 30th, 7:30 P. M.

Action-Packed Motion Picture

"OPERATION ABOLITION"

DOCUMENTARY SOUND MOTION FILM OF COMMUNISM IN ACTION IN SAN FRANCISCO

SEE...

- Communists leading student riots and demonstrations against the House Committee on Un-American Activities during Committee Hearing in San Francisco, California
- Resisting students removed by San Francisco Police
- Communist Archie Brown being removed from Committee Hearing Room
- Communists disrupting Committee Hearings in City Hall
- 19-year-old Douglas Wachter, Sophomore, University of California, and student demonstrators

★ SHOCKING!

★ AWAKENING!

★ AWESOME!

★ Saturday, Oct. 1st, 2:30 P. M.



DR.
ROBERT D.
PETERSON

SPEAKING ON "HOW TO BE A 'PAUL REVERE'"

Dr. Peterson is a School Administrator and Military Lecturer

- Just returned from the Cold War Seminar at National War College, Washington, D. C.
- Teacher of Air Science and Tactics
- Command Pilot in B-17 air attacks over Germany
- Prisoner of War for Eighteen Months
- Eye-witness of Terror and Brutality
- Continues military career as Major in Air Force Reserve
- Member of First Presbyterian Church

★ Saturday, Oct. 1st, 7:30 P. M.

FULL LENGTH FEATURE FILM OF MATT CVETIC'S DRAMATIC LIFE STORY...

"I WAS A COMMUNIST SPY FOR THE F. B. I."

UNBELIEVABLE! BUT IT HAPPENED—RIGHT HERE IN AMERICA!

★ Sunday, Oct. 2nd, 10:30 A. M.

DONZELLA CROSS BOYLE

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Featured Teen-age Artist



★ Sunday, Oct. 2nd, 2:30 P. M.



MATT
CVETIC

SPEAKING ON "MY LIFE STORY — THE BIG DECISION"

Mr. Cvetic is a former F.B.I. Counter Spy.

For security reasons he was not permitted to reveal to his family and friends his connections with the F.B.I. and his mother died in 1949 believing her son had betrayed his country.

His father, however, lived until 1950 and saw his son's loyalty verified when his F.B.I. role was revealed during testimony before a Congressional Committee.

Mr. Cvetic authored a series of articles in the Saturday Evening Post, entitled "I Was a Communist Spy for the F.B.I."

A motion picture and a radio serial based on these articles are currently available to the public.



**Don't miss hearing and seeing
this Famous Counter-Spy**



DR.
THOMAS
WYATT

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★ Friday, Sept. 30th, 7:30 P. M.



DOUBLE
FEATURE

DR. V.
ORVILLE
WATTS

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Dr. Watts is an Economic Consultant, Author, Lecturer.

- Professor of Economics, Harvard University
- Author of many articles and books
- Charter Member of Mont Pelerin Society, international organization of free enterprise economists
- Listed in "Who's Who" in America since 1942

DON'T MISS HEARING THIS GREAT CRUSADER

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**EMBASSY AUDITORIUM
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Downtown Los Angeles**

THE EDITOR

Editor, The Herald:

My congratulations and thanks to you for carrying the excellent articles "What you can do to fight Communism" by Ellen Haldeman. She is certain to be complimented for a much needed job, well done.

Twenty years in the fight against Communism, nine of which I spent posing as a Communist for our FBI, have convinced me that the way we are going to win the fight is to dispel the ignorance and apathy with regard to the Communist menace. The series of articles go a long way, I am certain, in enlightening the people of Santa Barbara County and other areas as to the true nature of the Communist conspiracy.

Long ago it was said that in "knowledge and truth there is power." Never was this adage more appropriate to the occasion than in our fight for freedom and survival against a treacherous, deceitful and ruthless enemy who would murder or enslave all of us.

May your article help to enlighten those who foolishly look upon Communism as "some form of ideology or innocuous teaching." May your message find its way onto every nook and cranny in your community. And may it find its way into the homes, schools and churches; these bulwarks of Americanism where the fight against Communism really begins.

— Matt Cvetic
Los Angeles, Calif.

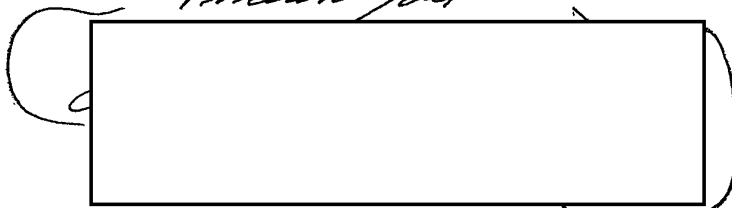
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Gentlemen,

If it is proper to do so, I would appreciate your confirmation of this letter to the editor of the *Carpinteria Herald*. I am a little suspicious that Mr. Welch is assuming too much glory.

Thank you



P. B. 1 Box 141
Carpinteria, Calif.

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Mr. Welch
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-53044)

DATE: 12/30/60

FROM : SUPERVISOR ELMER F. LINBERG

SUBJECT: MATT CVETIC
INFORMATION CONCERNING

On 12/22/60, [redacted] California State Attorney General's Office, Los Angeles, telephone [redacted] telephonically advised that one [redacted] was in his office desiring to know whether MATT CVETIC worked for the FBI. He explained that [redacted] was attempting to get in touch with CVETIC and thought maybe this office could put her in touch with him.

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[redacted] was advised that CVETIC at one time furnished information to the FBI concerning internal security matters; however, he was never and is not now an FBI employee.

EFL:DRU *Linberg*

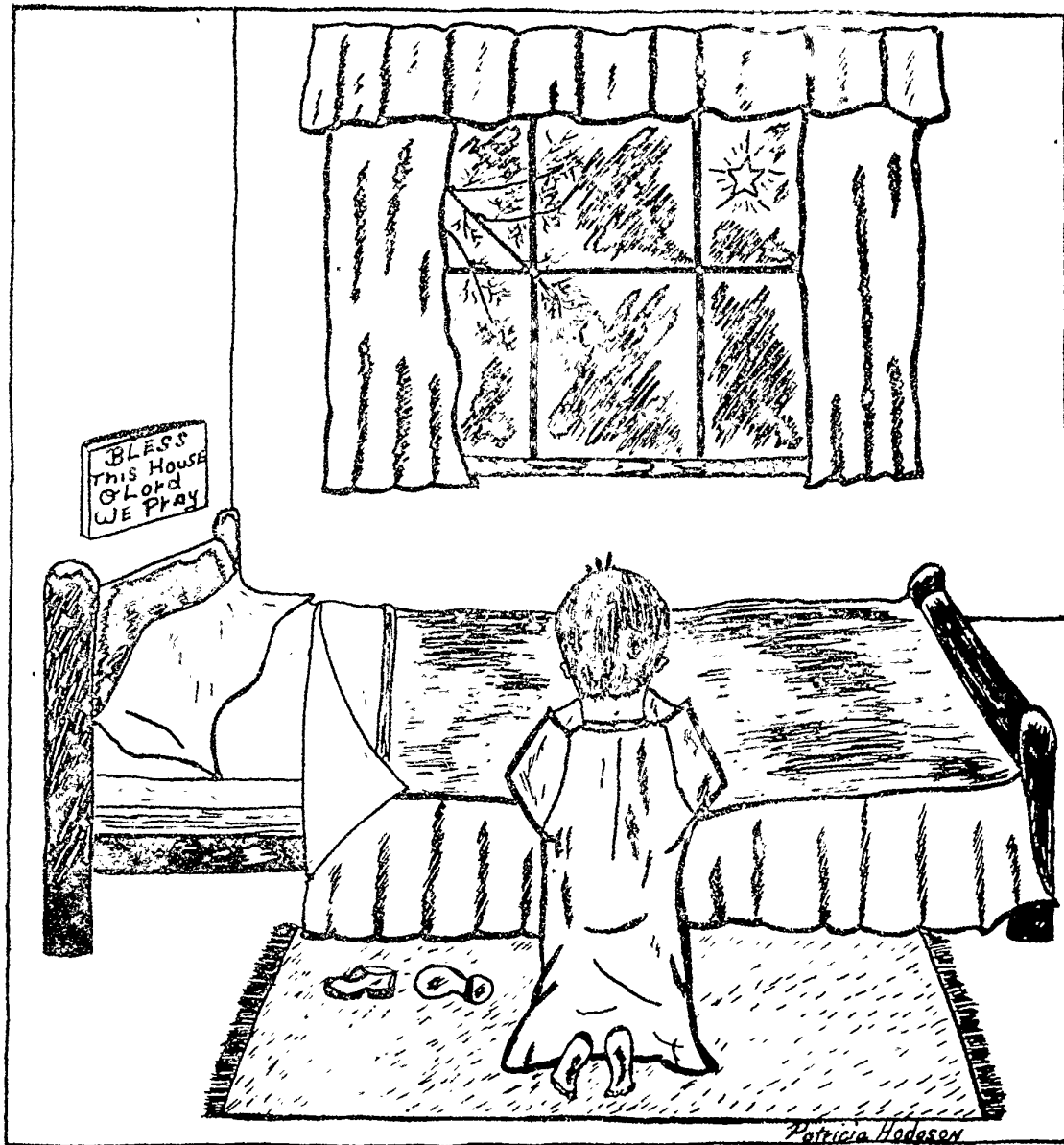
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THE BIG DECISION



... and please God, keep America Safe and Free
for Mommie and Daddy and Sissie and me.

Do You Know . . .

The Communists are out to destroy
Freedom of Press, Speech and Religion
by gaining control of the minds of your
children?

Do You Know . . .

That they are working stealthily
day and night to accomplish this in-
famous Red Goal?

A Free or Communist America

Your "BIG DECISION"

—●—

**Don't doom your loved ones to Soviet slavery because
YOU gave away their freedom by default!**

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**Acquaint yourself — and your children, "The Leaders of
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Recd. from Paul Benson, 1145, Psk - 9/28/60 -

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : S A C

DATE: Oct. 19, 1960

FROM : Merle L. Parker

SUBJECT: Matt Cvetic *100-53044*
Inf. Concerning

On this date Cvetic contacted the writer and advised that he is now living at 555 No. Rossmore St., Los Angeles, apartment 201, telephone HO 7-0786. Cvetic advised that an informant of his from the middle west sent him about 98 pounds of Marxist-Leninist Books, which deal with the old IWW days in the United States during the period of about 1902 to 1919. He wanted to know if the Bureau was interested in them possibly to add to the library, as now many of them are out of print. He stated that he is now in the process of going over the material.

Cvetic was advised that if he did not want the material, and was going to throw it away, we would take it and keep what we wanted, and destroy or give away the other.

Cvetic will call the writer when he has reviewed the material.

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Sunday, Nov. 6, 1960 ★ Van Nuys (Calif.) NEWS—19-A

Counterspy Tells Danger In Disbanding Committee

Matt Cvetic, for nine years a counterspy for the FBI, told a group in Hollywood: "I will not support anyone for Congress who is for the abolition of the House committee on un-American activities."

"It is a matter of record that the Communist Party has spent millions of dollars to destroy this vital committee."

Committee Needed

With specific reference to statements by some local candidates that they wish only to transfer the committee's activities to the House judiciary committee, he said, "The excuse of those who want this committee abolished that its activities should be taken over by the House judiciary committee is a lot of hogwash."

"In light of the clear and present danger from the Communist conspiracy, the incoming Congress should not only continue the un-American activities committee, but it should be strengthened and its activities expanded!"

Would Aid Subversives

Cvetic noted that he had testified before this committee in 1950 and exposed "hundreds of Communist agents."

Cvetic, author of "The Big Decision," concluded by telling the group that "the abolition of this committee would amount to a great propaganda victory for the Communists."

"VALLEY NEWS AND VALLEY GREEN SHEET,"
Van Nuys, California - November 6, 1960
Sunday - Section 1, Page 19-A, Columns 5-6
Editor - [REDACTED]
Los Angeles Field Division

RE: MATT CVETIC
FORMER SECURITY INFORMANT

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Red Technique

The so-called "rift" between Soviet Russia and Red China is a typical Marxist technique designed to take in gullible Americans and other non-Communists.

When I posed as a Communist for the FBI, the Communists were told to keep the world in constant uncertainty by expounding a thesis and supplying an antithesis.

In other words, the idea of this latest Marxist technique is to catch the United States and the rest of the non-Communist world in a nutcracker play.

The Communists expect to pick up the pieces. Whether they are Russians, Chinese or Americans, the Communists' aim is to communize America. Then, they will do as they did in Tibet—murder everyone who stands in their way.

MATT GOVETTIC
Hollywood.

Saturday

LOS ANGELES TIMES

DATE 11/26/60

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EDITOR [REDACTED]

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IF RED CHINA RECOGNIZED

America in Peril

By FLOYD RINEHART
Daily Breeze Staff Writer

"If the United States recognizes Red China, American constitutional government is through."

So said Matt Cvetic, who for nine years served as an FBI undercover agent within Communist Party USA, made the statement last week when he spoke before an estimated 350 South Bayans.

Cvetic gave his talk on dangers of communism to U.S. government and population at Valmonte School Auditorium, Palos Verdes Estates, Communist Goals

The gathering was sponsored by John Birch Society, a national group formed to acquaint Americans with Communist goals, including takeover of federal government in the U.S.

Cvetic said America has been losing the propaganda cold war against Communist encroachment primarily because too many Americans are apathetic and complacent.

"They do not realize, if the U.S. loses the battle against Communist domination, it loses it forever," said Cvetic.

He also said from his experiences as an active "comrade" he knows the U.S. constitutional government will be wiped out and lives of thousands of patriotic Americans will be lost in mass slaughter if Communists win the battle being waged now.

The former FBI agent said "ab-

solutely" communism is not "just" a political philosophy, but a well-organized, active conspiracy to wreck the U.S. form of government, as well as governments of other free nations.

To combat continuing Communist inroads into places of government influence at every level—industry, business, church and education—Cvetic recommended at least five things be done by patriotic Americans:

1. Demand the new U.S. President and Congress take an uncompromising stand against International Communism.

2. Insist officials of the executive, legislative and judicial departments of the government deal with communism for what it is—a conspiracy to do away with democratic, constitutional government.

3. Provide adequate laws to punish those involved in political conspiracy, sedition and treason "during peace time" as well as wartime.

4. Demand Red China never be recognized as a legitimate government.

5. Support government agencies and committees, such as the FBI and House Committee on Un-American Activities, which are pledged to protect rights and freedom of U.S. citizens.

Cvetic told how, during early stages of World War II, he agreed to infiltrate the Communist Party

as an undercover man for the FBI. He said his reason for aiding the FBI was his recognition communism is a clear and present danger to security and freedom of the U.S.

It took 22 months, after his decision to join the party in 1941, to become an accepted Communist. This occurred during February, 1943, in Pittsburgh, Cvetic's hometown.

To show how Communists have infiltrated important segments of government agencies, Cvetic described his own job.

Cvetic was an official in the U.S. Employment Agency in Pittsburgh. In 1943 the agency was called on to recruit scientists and technicians to work on the first atomic bomb project.

Cvetic said he, as a Communist, knew, out of a staff of 18 persons in the employment agency, four were Communists, including his own secretary.

Propaganda Only:

There is no truth to propaganda Communist Party USA is not directly linked with Soviet communism, Cvetic said.

"I know Communist groups with which I worked received top orders and direction straight from the Kremlin in Moscow," said the former counter-spy.

He also said Communists make no distinction between card-holding Communists and sympathizers

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Editor, Daily Breeze:

I read the article about Matt Cvetic in the Sunday Breeze. Thank you so much for it.

I read Cvetic's book, "The Big Decision," several months ago, and I have become deeply concerned. The term, "Communist threat" is passe—they (Communists) are already among us, at our front door.

Please tell us more about the John Birch Society. Is this part of the Pony Express I have heard about?

I have talked to several men and women in my daily contacts at markets, service stations, etc., and they all are as concerned as I am about communism.

We are not apathetic. We are willing to fight to keep our freedom.

I wish Cvetic's book could be printed in your paper.

MRS. E. L. TAYLOR

Redondo Beach.

CVETIC PANNED

Editor, Daily Breeze:

I must confess that I seldom read the Breeze, but the intriguing headline "If Red China Recognized, AMERICA IN PERIL" caught my eye and I read the article and found it to be a report of a "lecture" by Matt Cvetic! A gust of derisive laughter bubbled to my lips as I pictured the starry-eyed geese gazing up at this creature and drinking in his words.

For Heaven's sake, don't they know who he is? You, as a newspaper man, ought to know his REAL origin, not as stated in your article. Yes, I know that informers have been used by law enforcement agencies since the time of Judas Iscariot but, in the past, they always kicked them back under the sink with the garbage cans until they needed them again. It remained for Nazi Germany and now this country to elevate them to a seat of honor. McCarthyist brainwashing rides again and you

dent since 1956. Didn't Nixon do so before, with the aid of the Nixon fund?

I don't think Jack needs the Breeze to remind him that he is President "of the other 49.8 percent, too," or that the popular vote was close, or that he has responsibilities. He asked and received—he offered and was accepted.

Next to Dick, the Breeze sounds like the poorest loser. You're right. We are "Americans first, Democrats and Republicans second." Let's prove it, AFTER the election, at least—ALL of us. The rules call for three strikes before a man is out.

Print, please, if you dare.
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Manhattan Beach.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

A PROGRAM LAUNCHED

Editor, Daily Breeze:

November 3, 1960, the Southwest Association for Retarded Children, Inc., celebrated the 1st anniversary of incorporation. In this year it has affiliated with the state and national organizations for retarded children.

It has undertaken sponsorship of Boy Scout Troop 777 and Cub Pack 777C, two of the few units in the nation, a Party-Time for teen-agers and young adults, and recently through the facilities of the Los Angeles Department of Parks and Recreation, a Recreation and Hobby crafts program was created for Retarded Children, a building fund for the establishment of a Youth Activity Center, was started.

No matter how eager and ambitious an organization may be their efforts can only be effective to the extent that the public knows of its efforts and aims.

The real purpose of this letter is to express my appreciation of your press in presenting to the public the aims, the progress and programs of the Southwest Association for Retarded Children.

Your cooperation has informed parents of retarded children of our program and many children are profiting by the Party-Time who till now had no social outlets, companionship, or contacts outside their homes.

This is what we have been striving for, to give these children, so far as we can, the opportunity to lead a normal existence.

My thanks to your press, and especially to Mrs. Nancy Anderson. She has been of great assistance to me in my attempts to properly present publicity, personally and on behalf of the Southwest Association for Retarded Children, Inc.

MRS. HAROLD M. MCBRIDE

newsmen aid and abet it instead of kicking it in the teeth. Haven't we got any newspapers with guts anymore?

What I resented most in the report of this person's lecture was his daring to intimate that our young people cannot think for themselves, and that when they turn to serious matters, instead of dormitory party raids, etc., they must of necessity be influenced and led by Communists. I cannot understand why American citizens should passively listen to such slander instead of walking out on him, or, better yet, yank him from the platform and give him what he deserved.

Another thing, if, as this person says, the San Francisco "riots" (his and the newspapers' word for a picketing operation that was perfectly legal) against the Un-American Committee were instigated and led by a few hard core Communists, why were these instigators not hunted down, their names and activities blazoned in the press, and they themselves brought to trial? The FBI has quite a record for catching criminals, except in the case of bombings and cross-burnings against Negroes; then why did they fail here? Cvetic should have been able to point them out. Why didn't he? Is it because there weren't any? That shouldn't stop him.

MRS. K. C. YOUNG

Hermosa Beach

P.S. I see David Greenglass has emerged from prison. Will there be a ticker tape parade for him down Pennsylvania and perhaps a high position in Washington?

POOR LOSERS?

Editor, Daily Breeze:

In your post-election "United We Stand" editorial, where you wished Kennedy success, you reminded him that he campaigned for Presi-

those who unwittingly further Communist aims or those who provide financial support for the party. As far as Communists are concerned, anyone, whether a card-holding Communist or not, is considered a "comrade so long as he aids Communist goals," he said.

During secret Communist sessions, 3000 of which Cvetic participated in during his counterspy activities, the U.S. government is considered "the enemy."

The same holds true for the FBI, which is labeled as gestapo, fascist and the enemy.

Cvetic said Communists he dealt with personally, including Soviet espionage agents who work out of the United Nations and Soviet embassy, know when Nikita Khrushchev said in a recent nationwide telecast in the U.S., "We will bury you," he meant the threat in the literal sense of the phrase.

Before Joseph Stalin died, American Communists always referred to him as "our leader" and Russia was referred to as "our Mother Country," Cvetic said.

Moscow Leadership

The counterspy again showed how the Communist Party in America takes direct leadership from Moscow, despite public, contradictory statements by American Communist leaders.

Cvetic emphasized importance to Communists of subverting American youth to gain control of the nation.

He said in 1948 Stalin stressed to American Communists they were to work among youth of the country to orientate them toward Communist goals.

Cvetic quoted the Stalin directive:

"... American youth must be controlled if Communists are to wage successful revolution in the U.S."

The former counterspy pointed to a spectacle created by hundreds of duped college students when they rioted last May, against sessions of the House Committee on Un-American Activities, when it met in San Francisco.

Cvetic confirmed the riots were organized and staged by just a few hard-core Communists who tried to disrupt activities of a duly formed Congressional investigating group.

Khrushchev Welcomed

He also said he was sickened at the sight of numerous American political, business, and industrial leaders shaking hands with Khrushchev and toasting with the Communist leader during his tour of the U.S. several months ago.

Cvetic said it is foolish for any good American to deal with Communists because their plan is utter destruction of American freedom, government and free enterprise system.

He also said if Communists win the fight for freedom in the U.S., wholesale arrests and killings will be the order of the day.

Those who would die in the bloodbath would include clergymen, industrialists, bankers, businessmen, government leaders, police, educators and patriots, high or low.

Communists define all these categories as "counterrevolutionary" and persons connected with them are marked for liquidation, according to Cvetic.

THE BIG DECISION
P.O. Box 2789
Hollywood 28, California

November 24, 1960

Mr. W. G. Simon, SAC,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
1340 West 6th Street,
L.A. 17, Cal

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Dear Mr. Simon:

I am enclosing a "letter to the editor" which appeared in "The Breeze", a publication which circulates in the Hermosa Beach area.

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Ordinarily I pay little attention to such diatribes, but the alledged writer, a [redacted] of Hermosa Beach, is suggesting that people do violence to me. In Par. ³/₄ the writer states in part: "I cannot understand why American citizens should passively listen to such slander instead of walking out on him*, or, better yet, yank him from the platform and hive him what he deserved." *him, of course being Matt Cvetic.

The rest of the letter and its characterizations following ^{ML} generally the Communist Party line, i.e. referring to me as Judas, and referring to the House Committee on Un-American Activities as the UnAmerican Committee.

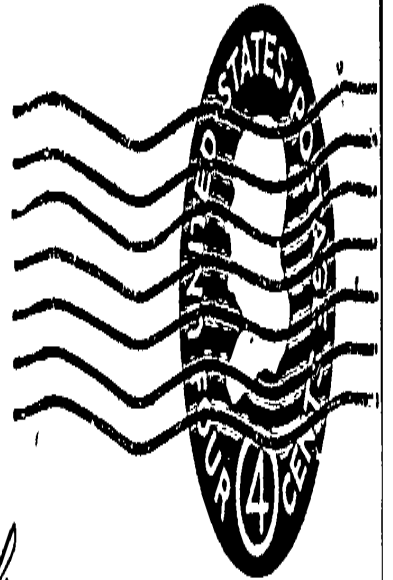
Since I am under a permanent United States Government Supoena, and since this person is suggesting violence be done to me, I would appreciate it, if your good office would investigate this matter, and take whatever, if any, action is indicated.

You might tell Doc Parker that I have now gone on Communism and the old "Wobblies" which came into my possession and he may arrange to see them at his convenience.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
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Los Angeles 17, California
February 6, 1961

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Dear [Redacted]

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of January 27, 1961, in which you make inquiry concerning Mr. Cvetic.

For your information, Matt Cvetic, over a considerable number of years in the past, voluntarily furnished to the Federal Bureau of Investigation information dealing with the internal security of the United States. He was never, nor is he now, an employee of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

The thought which prompted you to write to the FBI is indeed appreciated.

Very truly yours,

W. G. SIMON
Special Agent in Charge

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FBI Spy Will Speak for Crusade

Evangelist Billy James Hargis of Tulsa, founder-director of the Anti-Communist Christian Crusade, will appear Feb. 11-13 at a rally at 940 S. Figueroa St.

Appearing with Mr. Hargis as a featured speaker will



CVETIC HARGIS

be Matt Cvetic, who joined the Communist Party as an undercover agent for the FBI.

Meetings will be at 7:30 nightly. A Sunday program is set for 2:30.

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FULLERTON — We are losing the fight with Communism here in the United States. Lack of adequate laws to protect us against Communist infil-

tration, apathy of American politicians and laymen, the American businessman's lust for Communist dollars, the readiness of America to recognize the Com-

ber worker. They would eliminate all conservative educators. Would eliminate businessmen who make a profit, because they also oppose the Communist theory.

Warns Countians

Cvetic warned Countians not to be misled by an apparent "falling-out" between Russia and Red

China. The world Communists, he said, use such "artificially created crises" to lull the free world into thinking they can go on sleeping.

Communism and the fight against it, he said, is raging here now, the first foreign war to be fought on American soil. He warned that unless we pass legislation making it possible for our law enforcement agencies and our government to deal with Communists, the battle is already lost.

"We have very little time left to make the choice between freedom and slavery," Cvetic said grimly. "And don't think for a moment that American communism, because we believe we are a more enlightened country, will be any different from any other communism. I had to swear allegiance time and again to Comrade Stalin, leader of the party, and to Mother Russia, in order to remain in good standing in the party." "America," he said, "was the enemy."

minist government of Russia in 1933, all have contributed to the present danger here of succumbing to the Communist threat, according to former FBI counter-spy Matt Cvetic, who addressed a crowd of north county residents here this week.

Americans, Cvetic said, have consistently refused to heed the warnings of such leaders as J. Edgar Hoover, head of the FBI, and Gen. Douglas MacArthur, while American Communists, plus 13,000 Communist agents from other sections of the world, have set about to deliberately sabotage

the reputations of the BBI and other agencies which have been working against the spread of communism in the United States.

Cvetic, who joined the Communist Party in 1941 to serve as an undercover spy for the FBI, attended more than 3,000 Communist meetings, met top Russian agents, secret police, and American Communists striving toward the overthrow of the government, spoke as the first of a series of guest speakers under a program of the Fullerton Junior

Chamber of Commerce Anti-Subversive Committee.

Applauding Residents

Somewhere along the line, Cvetic told applauding Fullerton residents, our politicians and diplomats have entertained thoughts that we can do business with the Communists.

It can't be done, Cvetic insists. He pointed to orders he was given as a hard-working Communist over the nine years while he was a party member as definite proof that the Communists will never give up the fight to take over the United States until they have either won, or been defeated.

Cvetic said there are 13,000 Communist agents working "freely" inside the nation today.

Too few Americans realize that if the Communists do win their fight here, many Americans will be murdered. "If the party took over in Fullerton tonight," Cvetic said, "their first step would be to liquidate all those who had opposed them. This would include

the clergy, for communism cannot tolerate the clergy, as the one group which can lead people out of ignorance into the truth."

They would eliminate local police replacing them with their own secret police, Cvetic said as he detailed Communist plans learned while he was a mem-

FORMER COUNTERSPY SEES U.S.

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LOSING BATTLE AGAINST REDS

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Claim God is Ignorance

"Do you know why?" "Because," the Communist Party will tell you, "they are teaching you about God . . . and so they are teaching you ignorance." Every trade union leader would be arrested for there is no room for trade unions in communism, he said. "And every businessman in business to make a profit for this is a crime punishable by death."

They would take these men, police officers and many more, march them to a field, force them to dig a grave "wide enough and deep enough to hold their bodies . . . and then they would machine-gun them."

"And then, just like that fat Russian gangster Khrushchev has said—and he makes the threat at least once a month—they would bury us with our own shovels."

Cvetic warned "we are engaged in a struggle for our very survival . . . and we are losing the fight against communism."

Congressmen for the lack of adequate law to deal with the

He criticized "politically opportunistic and spineless" "Red menace." "Sometimes I could stand here and bawl," Cvetic said, scoring diplomats and politicians who "believe we can do business with the Communists."

He also blamed the "general apathy and complacency of Americans," but added "this is gradually being dispelled."

Urges Ouster From UN

What can Americans do to combat the Kremlin . . . "now only 90 miles from our door in Cuba?"

Cvetic drew round after round of thunderous applause as he listed "enforce the Monroe Doctrine . . . sever diplomatic relations with Russia and her satellite countries . . . kick Communist sympathizers out of the church and schools and wherever they are found . . . and call on the free countries of the world to toss Russia off the United Nations."

He charged that Communists are concentrating heavily on our educational system, for they believe firmly that youth is the key if they are to wage a successful Communist revolution here.

Between 1948 and 1949 the "Party" had more than 25,000 members of the Communist youth organization on university and college campuses across the United States, Cvetic said.

V. J. P. H. I.

Garden Grove, California, Friday, February 3, 1961

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'It's Nearly 9-Tomorrow You Might Be Red Slave'

FBI Counterspy Warns Fullerton

BY TRUMAN MYERS

News Staff Reporter

FULLERTON—“It's 10 minutes to 9 . . . if the Communists were to take over right now, by tomorrow morning one-third of the people sitting around you would be dead or in forced labor camps.”

The short portly man staring intently at his watch was Matt Cvetic, for nine years a counterspy posing as a Communist for the FBI.

The balding Cvetic, sweating profusely as he bitterly ripped apart the Communist Party “for what it is, a criminal conspiracy,” was addressing a near-capacity crowd of 200 persons which jammed into the Fullerton High School Auditorium.

“Just look around you . . . at your husband, wife, neighbor, friend . . . one out of three would not be here tomorrow,” Cvetic continued.

The Communists are practical conspirators, Cvetic said. They talk about what they plan to do when they take over. “The clergy would fare the worst; they would all be arrested and murdered.”

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THE DAILY NEWS

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got through entertaining!—whenever we took over the United States.

"Most of these stories were lurid and sadistic tales of how we were going to torture or dismember, hang or shoot these 'gullible Americans' when the time came.

About Their Game!

"As for the American women, the Reds' plan for them is so unfit for print that I can't deal with it here—nor will you find it in any other respectable publication.

"One of the standing macabre jokes in Communist Party circles is how the Reds are going to let the 'greedy capitalists' dig their own graves. Then when they dig them wide and deep enough, the Reds plan to shoot them down and push them in. And, after giving a fast coup-de-grace to the ones who are still wiggling—bury those capitalistic pigs! With their own shovels. In their self-made graves!"

In the face of such a murderous threat to themselves personally, one wonders why the business fraternity in the main is so apathetic to the Communist threat at home and abroad?

Who can afford to let it happen here?

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Complainant said that he was organizing a fireworks show for the 4th of July in Corona, California and thought that he might invite Subject as guest speaker. It was his understanding that Subject is presently on a speaking engagement in the Los Angeles area. Complainant wished to obtain information as to Subject's current whereabouts so that he might contact him.

Complainant was advised that the FBI could not make this information available even if it were known.

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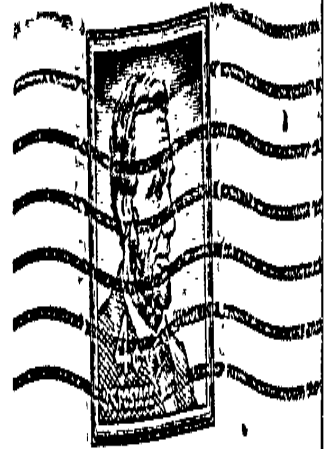
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P. O. BOX 2789

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Mr Simon,

Federal Bureau of Investigation

1340 West Sixth St

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Letters to the Editor

Red Speakers on Campuses

In your June 5th issue you pose the question: "Should speakers, advocating the Communist line and the overthrow of the United States Government, be permitted to talk on the five state campuses of the University of California?"

Having spent 21 years in the fight against communism, 9 of which were spent posing as a Communist for the FBI, I would like to answer this vital question.

During the years I served as a counter-spy, I worked with Soviet secret police, Red espionage agents, and leaders of the American Communist Party, even with Reds who were infiltrating our churches and schools.

Some of our educationists who permit Reds and Red sympathizers to speak on the campuses, forget one all-important thing.

That is, that the American Communist party is part of an international Communist movement, which through treachery, stealth and duplicity is plotting to take over all non-Communist nations, including our own United States.

They also lose sight of the fact that when Communists take over a country, their first objective is to either murder or put into political prisons all so-called counter-revolutionaries (American political leaders for instance), clergymen, educationists, business and industrial leaders.

Forty-three years of communism has proven one thing conclusively.

The Communist party is the sole judge, once they take over a nation, as to who is to be murdered or sent to a political prison or slave camp. There is plenty of historical proof of this in Russia, the Red satellites, Red China and Tibet.

The Red plans for the people of the United States, discussed in many secret Red meetings which I attended, called for the ultimate murder, imprisonment, or enslavement of one-third of the population of the United States.

All the foregoing is well-documented in the files of the FBI, the Senate and House committees and in the courts of the United States.

Regardless of what some of our misguided educationists think, communism is not a new philosophy, ideology, economy, or a new religion. In practice its brutal tactics are as old as history.

Communism is nothing but a cruel and calculating conspiracy which uses deceit, double talk and treachery to achieve its original goal, then uses torture, murder and enslavement to perpetuate itself in power. Communism is nothing else than international gangsterism with an intellectual twist.

The American Constitution guarantees to everyone freedom of speech, press and religion. Nowhere in our Constitution does it state, however, that anyone, including the Communists, has the right to use these basic freedoms to destroy them.

Because the destruction of freedom is the prime tenet of communism, it is difficult for me to understand how any educational institution, whose leaders are supposed to have some sense, can permit Communists, Marxists, Leninists, or by whatever name they are known, to use our free educational institutions as a base from which to destroy our nation.

MATT CVETIC, Hollywood.

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Re: MATT CVETIC

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MIAT CVETIC, a former Bureau informant who presently resides in Los Angeles, furnished, on June 22, 1961, a letter addressed to the "Los Angeles Times," Los Angeles, California. This letter deals with the above-captioned subject, who resides in New York, and is being furnished to the New York Office for information purposes.

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On June 2, 1961, MAT CVETIC, former Bureau informant, now a resident of Los Angeles, California, furnished SA MERLE L. PARKER a letter to the Editor of the "Los Angeles Times" newspaper, Los Angeles, signed by CORLISS LAMONT. The letter is critical of the United States and is being forwarded to the New York Office for information purposes.

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On June 2, 1961, MAT CVETIC, a former Bureau informant, furnished to SA MERLE L. PARKER a mimeographed letter dated April 24, 1961, addressed to the Editor ("Los Angeles Times" newspaper). The letter contains the names of numerous professors who apparently supported [REDACTED] and condemned the HCUA.

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This mimeographed letter is being forwarded to the San Francisco Office for its information.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC

DATE: 11/8/61

FROM : SA SAM J. SHOEMAKER

SUBJECT: MAT SVETIC
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this date,

At 11:27AM/SVETIC telephonically advised the following:
During the past month he has had two telephone calls from persons unknown to him who for seemingly legitimate reasons asked him where he is having his current book printed. They gave him their names but he did not recall them, and he furnished them the requested information.

Last night a fire destroyed the Wolfer Printing Co., 416 Wall St., Los Angeles, the firm that is printing his book, "The Big Decision". Twenty five thousand copies of the book were destroyed in the fire. In addition to this one man lost his life, when he dashed into the burning building in an attempt to get the purse of an employee.

He said he was not attempting to make a connection between the telephone calls and the fire however he thought they should be mentioned. He wished this info to be furnished to SA MERLE L. PARKER, since he has been in contact with SA PARKER in the past.

SVETIC advised his office continues to be located at Suite 1582, Crossroads of the World, Hollywood, Calif. HO 70786.

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George Todt's Opinion

How the Commies Work

"We work legally when we can . . . illegally when we must!"—LENIN.

Will the recent decision of the United States Supreme Court requiring Communists to register here as the representatives of foreign power actually caused them to go underground?



Todt

I posed his question to Matt Cvetic, one time counter spy for the FBI and author of "The Big Decision" (P.O. Box 2789, Hollywood 28, Cal.), and asked him what he thought about the matter?

Reds Won't Stop

"Communists consider themselves at permanent war against all non-Communist nations," he told me. "They are fighting this war 24 hours a day with all legal and illegal means at their disposal."

"Despite the latest Supreme Court ruling, the Reds long ago saw the inevitable and prepared themselves to function underground. The Communists will continue to function in the United States until their conspiracy is finally and totally destroyed."

Then Matt, who successfully infiltrated the Reds in Pittsburgh some 15 years

ago at FBI request, recalled with firsthand knowledge a significant meeting with Red agents there in 1948, when these official directives were given:

1. Every member was ordered to find some legal base from which to carry on his Communist work. They were directed to join trade unions, churches, school groups, universities, college clubs or professional staffs — any legal existing bodies in the United States in order to carry on their illegal subversive work.

2. Selected members were to quietly acquire printing presses, mimeograph machines, typewriters, and other equipment which was to be secreted away. These to be used later to print surreptitiously Communist propaganda whenever the Party goes completely underground.

3. Secret groups were ordered to be set up to organize distribution of illegal Communist papers and pamphlets.

Subversive Plan

4. The most trusted Red agents were designated to act as couriers between the underground apparatus and the secret agents operating inside legal organizations, such as trade unions, churches, schools and other legitimate bodies.

5. Selected party members were to be organized to study methods of creating riots against police authorities and to learn how to incite others to engage in mass violence. (Matt Cvetic cites as an example of these terrorist tactics the violent demonstration against the House Un-American Activities Committee in San Francisco last year.)

6. Instructions were issued to Red members on the use of codes and signs to enable them to keep in contact with each other.

Until We Bop

7. All Party cells were to be broken down into small units of three persons in order to make it more difficult for the FBI and other security agencies to keep track of Communists.

8. The Party was to be carefully screened for dissident members and for counterspies. The Security Commission of the Reds was to be strengthened so that their enemies — i.e., FBI agents — who infiltrated the Party might successfully be dealt with.

9. Finally, all Party cards, lists of Red members, and other material identifying Communists in the United States was to be destroyed. These orders were carried out.

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Date 11-14-61

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RE:

MATT CVETIC

Matthew Cvetic

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Their No. 1 Man

Matt tells me that there has been no such thing as a "card-carrying Communist" since the Reds put their stringent security measures into operation a dozen years ago.

However, this does not mean that there are no longer any Communists — or dupes who do their bidding.

"Following these directives I have outlined to you," the author of **THE BIG DECISION** continued, "the Reds have been submerging their Communist identity and gaining an aura of respectability by joining legally-constituted bodies unknown to their regular — and unsuspecting — members. Here they have been promoting such Kremlin objectives as recognition of Red China and placing her in the United Nations, working for the abolition of Government committees that investigate Red subversion, demanding peaceful coexistence with Iron Curtain enemies, promote appeasement tactics, discredit FBI, etc. We all must be on our guard!"

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SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-53044)

MATT CVETIC
INFORMATION CONCERNING
INTERNAL SECURITY

CVETIC, former Bureau informant, contacted in connection with another matter on 1/24/62, by SA [redacted] advised that he presently maintains offices at 1582 Crossroads of the World, 6671 Sunset Boulevard, Hollywood, Calif., and is currently having re-published his testimony before several Government hearings on the communist conspiracy in the United States at his own expense.

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CVETIC stated that the recent past has seen a greatly quickened interest in the communist issue, and that his book, "The Great Decision", which recounts his experiences as an informant in the communist movement, has reached sales of 64,000 at this time.

CVETIC stated that he intends to accept an invitation for an anti-communist rally at Tulsa, Oklahoma, latter part of January, 1962, sponsored or directed by Dr. BILLY HARGIS of Tulsa.

The above is furnished for the Bureau's information.
CVETIC's current phone number is HO 7-0786.

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CVETIC said that [redacted] at no time indicated his employment or any background information concerning himself; and CVETIC was able only to describe [redacted] as a man in his middle 30's. CVETIC said that he was unable to take [redacted] seriously, mainly because he seemed to have no money resources himself, and appeared to be helpless in knowing where he might find the necessary large funds to set up such an ambitious project in the Minneapolis-St. Paul area as he described.

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Current telephone directories show a listing [redacted] for the address shown in referenced airtel for [redacted] indices of the Los Angeles were negative regarding [redacted] current listing.

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PROPOSED MINNEAPOLIS-ST. PAUL
SCHOOL OF ANTI-COMMUNISM,
2/22/62, MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA
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OO: Minneapolis

Re Minneapolis airtel 12/1/61, requesting background information available concerning [redacted] and Proposed Minneapolis Anti-Communism School.

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Indices of the Los Angeles Office are negative regarding both [redacted] and proposed school.

MATT CVETIC, 1582 Crossroads of the World, 6671 Sunset Boulevard, Hollywood, Calif., nationally prominent anti-communist speaker, advised SA [redacted] on 1/24/62 that he has been approached by [redacted] to participate in instant Minneapolis school, but seriously doubts that the proposals of [redacted] for such school will get off the ground. CVETIC said that he was not at all impressed by [redacted] ability or resources, and estimated that [redacted] who originates in Minneapolis, would prove unable to gather enough community support there for such a venture.

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CVETIC said that [redacted] was in touch with him chiefly through the period and after the staging of the "Project Alert", and CVETIC sensed that [redacted] had become enthused with the proceedings at that school in Los Angeles, held during December, 1961, and had become ambitious to set up a similar program in his home town.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-50808)

RE: LOS ANGELES CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION
 INFORMATION CONCERNING
 (SUBVERSIVE CONTROL SECTION)

Re Los Angeles airtel 2/2/62 and Bureau airtel
 2/6/62.

On 3/7/62, [redacted]
 [redacted] (conceal) advised that the
 Los Angeles Board of Education is in the process of proceeding
 with its intention to prosecute [redacted]
 [redacted] advised that Attorney
 [redacted] is now a member of the Administrative Staff
 of the Los Angeles City Board of Education and he is theo-
 retically in charge of the prosecution of these individuals
 under the Dilworth Act. He is receiving assistance from [redacted]
 [redacted] Los Angeles County Counsel, [redacted]
 [redacted] Assistant County Counsel.

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 - (1 - 100-53044, MATTHEW CVETIC)
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At the present time the attorneys and their aids are in the process of contacting the following individuals for the purpose of assessing their potential as witnesses on behalf of the city and its proposed prosecution. These individuals are as follows:

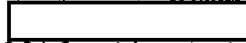


MATTHEW CVETIC



 stated that  is believed residing in Sacramento, California. Further, in 1955 or 1959 he served one year for criminal syndicalism.

For the information of the Seattle, San Francisco, and New York Divisions the Los Angeles City Board of Education instructed the Los Angeles County Counsel, who is their legal representative, to prepare legal briefs for the purpose of trying three teachers in the Los Angeles City School System who, during the course of executive session hearings, admitted membership in the Communist Party (CP) up to 1952 but invoked the Fifth Amendment concerning questions regarding their CP membership and/or affiliation subsequent to 1952.

The County Counsel decided to move against the admitted communists on the following grounds according to  (1) The individual in question did not file an affidavit stating they were onetime members of the CP as required by the Dilworth Act; (2) The County Counsel will try to prove that these individuals perjured themselves in their failure to tell the city school system that they had been or were CP members.

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[redacted] stated the County Counsel is presently in the process of attempting to construct a brief along the same lines as used by the U. S. Attorney in the case entitled "WILLIAM SCHNEIDERMAN, Et Al, vs. United States." The County Counsel is searching for expert witnesses who can testify as to CP teachings, political theory and philosophy. They are also attempting to obtain witnesses who can testify that the CP advocates the overthrow of the United States by force and violence.

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The Bureau by airtel dated 2/6/62 instructed the Los Angeles Office to closely follow this matter and keep the Bureau advised of pertinent developments.

The foregoing information is being furnished to the Bureau and interested offices for information since it is possible that the individuals named above that are being contacted by Los Angeles County Counsel representatives may in all probability contact the field office in the area where they live.

The Los Angeles Office will closely follow developments as they occur in this matter and advise the Bureau.

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Subject's name and aliases		Address of subject		Character of case SM-C (MISC)		
Complainant [Redacted]		Complainant's address and telephone number LA County Coroner's Office		Complaint received <input type="checkbox"/> Personal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Telephonic Date <u>7/28/62</u> Time <u>2:30p</u>		
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Facts of complaint: **Comp.** stated he is the Dr. who performed the autopsy on **MATT CEVETIC**. He advised that [Redacted] was present at the time of this autopsy as a friend of the deceased. [Redacted] said at the time of autopsy that **CEVETIC** had commented to him several days prior to his death that he wondered if some one was trying to harm him inasmuch as he had recently purchased a new 1962 auto and he discovered that the steering column on this vehicle was loose. **Comp.** stated he understands this car is now located at [Redacted]. **Comp.** stated he found absolutely no evidence of foul play at the time of the autopsy and he noted that **CEVETIC** suffered from significant ~~XXXX~~ arterial sclerosis sufficient to cause death by heart attack. **Comp.** stated he was merely bringing the above to the attention of the FBI for information purposes only.

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Subject's name and aliases MATT CVETIC		Address of subject deceased		Character of case IS-C		
Complainant MISS 		Complainant's address and telephone number 		Complaint received <input type="checkbox"/> Personal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Telephonic Date 4:20 PM Time 7/28/62		
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Facts of complaint

MISS advised, she is or was prior to Cvetic's death, his administrative assistant and fiancée. She desires an Agent to be with her when she goes through and digests of Cvetic's files as Cvetic's relations claim they are not coming from Pittsburgh.

MISS was advised this matter would be referred to the appropriate supervisor and that she would be contacted at the earliest moment possible. She stated she did not desire Cvetic's files to fall into the wrong hands.

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FBI Counterspy to Be Buried in Pittsburgh

The body of former FBI counterspy Matt Cvetic will be sent to Pennsylvania today for burial in his native state.

Cvetic, 53, the real life hero of magazine, radio and film stories called "I Was a Communist for the FBI," died Thursday of an apparent heart attack while waiting to take a driver's test.

His body was found slumped over the wheel of his car outside the Department of Motor Vehicles, 803 N. Cole Ave., Hollywood, by examiner Charles Leager.

Applying for License

Cvetic, of 1745 N. Orange Dr., Hollywood, was applying for his first California driver's license.

Pierce Bros. Mortuary said Cvetic's sister in Pennsylvania has arranged with the Pais Funeral Home of Pittsburgh to handle funeral arrangements.

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FBI's Red Counterspy, Matt Cvetic, Dies

Matt Cvetic, whose counterspy exploits were made famous by magazine, radio and film versions of "I Was a Communist for the FBI," died Thursday of an apparent heart attack.

The 53-year-old lecturer and author was found slumped over the wheel of his car outside the Department of Motor Vehicles, 803 Cole Ave., Hollywood, by examiner Charles Laeger, who was about to give him a driving test.

Artificial respiration at the scene failed to revive Cvetic and he was pronounced dead at Hollywood Regency Hospital.

Cvetic's harrowing triple

life as U.S. citizen, Soviet conspirator and FBI undercover man lasted nine years, ending in dramatic testimony before a Congressional committee in 1950.

His activities for the FBI were kept in strictest secrecy, but he was a well-known Communist. His own mother, an Austrian immigrant, died in October, 1949, thinking her son was a traitor. His marriage broke up over communism.

Cvetic's father died Memorial Day, 1950, three months after the truth was revealed in Congress.

Cvetic was born and



Matt Cvetic

raised in Pittsburgh and joined the Communist Party in 1941 at the FBI's request. He served the Reds' professional branch, trying to infiltrate America's scientific, legal, medical, governmental, social, health and welfare fields.

He attended more than 3,000 meetings of American and Soviet Communists and helped to direct important Red activities throughout the middle and late 1940s. He helped organize the Labor Youth League in 1949.

Cvetic's series of articles in the Saturday Evening Post, "I Was a Communist for the FBI," inspired a motion picture that starred Frank Lovejoy as Cvetic, and a radio series starring Dana Andrews.

Wrote Book

His 1959 book, "The Big Decision," emphasized that communism is not politics but an international conspiracy, "with its systematic brain-washing, thought-control, enforced communal living, mass enslavement, and mass murder."

Cvetic said in the book that his wife took their twin sons and left him when she learned he was a Communist. The breakup eventually led to a divorce.

Cvetic's testimony before the House Un-American Activities Committee included the naming of many alleged Red agents and the revelation that Communists in America were under orders from 1948 on to destroy all records linking them with the party.

He testified that Henry A. Wallace, former Vice President, conferred with two well-known Pittsburgh Communists in 1947 to solicit support for a third party Presidential campaign. Cvetic also testified about Red activities in schools and industry.

In recent years, Cvetic made appearances at anti-communism rallies and lectured on the Communist conspiracy.

He lived at 1745 N. Orange Dr., Hollywood.

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Memorial For Cvetic Scheduled

"Tribute to a Patriot," a memorial service for former FBI counter-spy Matt Cvetic, will be held at 8 p.m. Thursday under the sponsorship of the West Hollywood Young Republicans.

Cvetic, who died of a heart attack last week, was the author of "The Big Decision" and an active anti-Communist.

Introductions at the tribute program, which will be held in Hope LaCienega Hall, 411 N. La Cienega Blvd., will be made by Prof. Harold Fishman.

The sponsoring organization announces that the meeting is "open to all patriotic Americans who wish to pay homage to a fallen citizen-soldier."

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Matt Cvetic

Matt Cvetic many years ago made his Big Decision. He chose God and country. Now his work is done and he will have his reward.

To those of you wishing to pay tribute to this great American, may I suggest that each of you personally place at least 10 copies of his book, "The Big Decision," in the hands of deserving Americans. Nothing I can think of would please Matt more.

ANN KNAPP, Palos Verdes Estates.

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Laud Epic Career Of Matt Cvetic

Tributes continued pouring in today for the former FBI counterspy Matt Cvetic, following a memorial service sponsored by the West Hollywood Young Republicans.

Cvetic, who died of a heart attack last week, was eulogized last night by more than 200 members of the political club in their headquarters at the Hope La Cienega Hall for his patriotism in the constant battle against the Communist menace.

Prof. Harold Fishman of Los Angeles State College, led the tribute program and remarked in part:

"I'm not here to eulogize Cvetic. I'm here to tell of the nature of the battle we face today. One that he has been waging for many years.

"We need a firm position in our foreign policy in re-

lation to the multiple threats and brush fire type wars the Communists have been waging throughout the world.

"Another important task of our government is to prevent the Soviet Union from gaining any advantage over the United States in the realm of nuclear weaponry."

Dignitaries attending included Steve Foote, congressional candidate from the 22nd District; Novelist Maurice Gles; Jose Norman and Dr. Tiso De Junco, exiled Cuban patriots; actor Carleton Young, and actress Noel Toy.

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Matthew Cvetic
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TRIBUTE TO A PATRIOT
MEMORIAL SERVICES FOR **MATT CVETIC**

by the West Hollywood Young Republicans

Thursday August 9 8:00 p.m.

Hope LaCienega, 411 N. La Cienega Blvd

Introductions by Prof. Harold Fishman

Open to all patriotic Americans who wish
to pay homage to a fallen citizen-soldier

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Matt Cvetic, a Real Hero

Some men become heroes on the battlefields of war, others on the battlefields of peace. Matt Cvetic, who died in Los Angeles recently from a heart attack, was one of the latter.

At the request of the FBI, Cvetic became a Communist to spy on the Reds and learn their secrets. In that he did a tremendous job and the Communists never learned they had been tricked until Cvetic went on the witness stand and told his story before a congressional committee.

But in the meantime, what suffering he went through in life. He could not reveal to anyone

including his closest relatives why he had become a Communist.

His Austrian immigrant mother died in sorrow in 1949 believing her son to be a traitor to the United States. His father only learned the truth three months before he died.

When Cvetic's wife learned he was a Communist she took their twin sons and left him, eventually divorcing him.

Matt Cvetic, in our opinion, was a great hero. He made the supreme sacrifice in life. May kind memories of him and what he did for his country remain in our hearts forever.

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Dear Sirs:

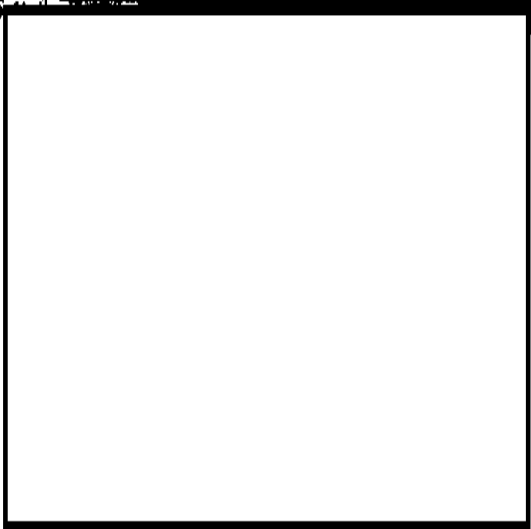
I read in a past issue of "Newsweek" Magazine, that Matt Coetic was never an undercover agent for the F.B.I. That he was an impostor.

This has bothered me and my friends since we met Matt Coetic at one of his talks. And were very impressed with him.

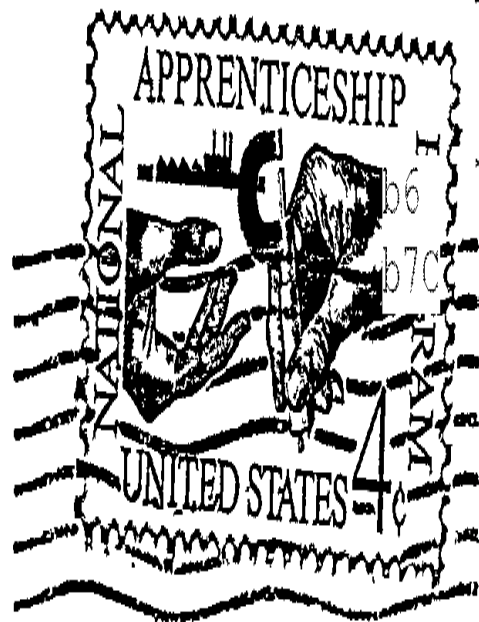
Please tell us this magazine is lying!

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
U.S. Dept of Justice
135 E. Olive
Durban, Calif.

1340 West Sixth Street
Los Angeles 17, California
September 14, 1962

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Dear [Redacted]

Your letter dated September 10, 1962, has been received and I appreciate the motive which prompted your communication.

For your information, Mr. Matt Cvetic assisted the Federal Bureau of Investigation by furnishing information on a voluntary basis from February, 1943, until January, 1950, and he was compensated for information furnished by him during that time. He was not, however, a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

In accordance with your request, I am enclosing some literature which may be of interest to you.

Very truly yours,

WGS

W. G. SIMON
Special Agent in Charge

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1. "One Nation's Response to Communism," Sept. 1960
2. "The Communist Party Line," Sept. 23, 1961
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4. "Faith in God--Our Answer to Communism," June, 1961
5. "Communist Party, USA," 4/30/60
6. [Redacted] self-addressed envelope

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Matt Cvetic Memorial

Form Anti-Red Foundation

A foundation dedicated to carrying out the ideals of the late Matt Cvetic, counterspy and leader in anti-Communist activities, completed its organization today.

Known as the Matt Cvetic Memorial Foundation, it is a non-profit, non-sectarian, non-political organization. Douglas A. Mador, foundation board president, said.

"The foundation will perpetuate the work and ideals of Matt Cvetic through a two-part program," he said. The two aims are:

"To educate people, and especially the youth of America, to the dangers, methods and techniques of the International Communist conspiracy, and to all socialistic and totalitarian forms of government.

"To promote an understanding and appreciation of the ideals of our Republic as established by the American Constitution."

PURCHASE COPYRIGHT

One of the first acts of the foundation was the purchase of the copyright to Cvetic's book, "The Big Deception," which deals with his work as a counterspy for the FBI, and his testimony before the House Un-American Activities Committee.

The foundation will open

a national fund-raising campaign to carry out its purposes. Its present address is P. O. Box 2789, Hollywood 28.

Other officers are Miss Patricia R. Hodgson, executive director and secretary; Miss Dee Dickson, vice president; Theodore W. Keune, treasurer; Sidney H. Rivkin, legal counsel, and Mrs. C. Ellis (Lee Childs) Carver, chaplain.

BOARD MEMBERS

Additional board members are Jerrold R. Alexander, Rep. Edgar Hiestand (R-Los Angeles), Tom Hoag, Mrs. Elsa Hodgson, F. B. Hollingsworth, Dr. Tirso del Junco, J. Norman Kelly, and Vick Knight.

Also, Dr. William V. Lawlor, Norman H. Moore, Jose Norman, George Putnam, Mrs. Sidney H. Rivkin, Raymond M. Spaulding and Doyle Swain.

Advisory board members are Phil Benjamin, Mrs. C. Clinton Bennett, San Marino; Steve Foote, Van Nuys; Mal George Racey, Jordan, USAF (Ret.), Bel Air; D. B. Lewis, Hollywood; Dr. Ellis Carver, Pasadena, and Rabbi Max Merrill.

And, Roy M. Brewer, New

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, Los Angeles

DATE: 5/27/63

FROM : ASAC [redacted]

SUBJECT: MATT CVETIC FOUNDATION

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[redacted] Matt Cvetic Foundation, telephonically contacted the office today. He stated that [redacted] of the organization, resigned and left with a number of personal items and documents formerly belonging to MATT CVETIC and which now belong to the Matt Cvetic Foundation. He said that the organization had been attempting to secure these but to no avail. They have now employed an attorney who was going to attempt to secure them for the Foundation.

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Information had come to the attention of the Foundation that [redacted] now claims she had given these belongings to a law enforcement agency for protection of the items. [redacted] said that this, of course, raised a question as to whether this material might have been furnished to the FBI, although he had some question about this in his mind since he understood that following the death of MATT CVETIC this material had all been examined by the FBI but had not been taken into the FBI's possession.

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[redacted] was informed that I personally was not familiar with this situation but that this situation appeared to be a matter between the Foundation and [redacted]. It was suggested to him that this could best be resolved by direct contact with Miss [redacted] by a representative of the Foundation.

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It was pointed out to him that the FBI does not take private documents for safe keeping for anyone and that if we have previously examined these items as he understood and had not taken them at that time we would not be taking them again at a later date.

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[redacted] said that he thought this would be the situation and he did not think that these items would be taken by the FBI at this time and he said he would contact this office again if there was any problem which might bring the FBI into this matter in any way.

The telephone number of the Matt Cvetic Foundation is 620-7229.

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He Defended Our Freedom

In view of the current Korean crisis, the recent race riots and campus disorders, it is particularly timely that the old movie, "I Was A Communist For The FBI," is being seen again on TV's late shows. The story is based on the daring double life of the late Matt Cvetic (pronounced Svetik), one of the most successful counterspies who ever helped defend our country against Communist subversives.

Although the film was produced prior to the Korean war, the leading man portraying Matt Cvetic not only warned of a coming conflict and told why it would break out, but revealed how U.S. Communists would try to use Negroes and students to create civil disorders. It was a low-budget picture, unfortunately, and thus did not get the publicity needed to attract large audiences.

We hope, therefore, that "I Was A Communist For The FBI" will be rerun until every American has the opportunity to view its many lessons. The picture deserves a long life also because it is a memorial to a very brave man who received more condemnation than thanks for serving his country beyond the call of duty for nine lonely, perilous years.

A tragic aspect of Matt Cvetic's career is that he had to remain silent

about his real loyalty while his family spurned him, believing he was actually a Communist party official.

After his true role was revealed by his sensational testimony before a congressional committee in 1950, the Communists turned their full fury on him, and he was viciously defamed.

Matt Cvetic's testimony, not one word of which has ever been disproved, sent 10 of the top U.S. Reds to prison. The U.S. Supreme Court turned all of them loose before they had served their terms.

One attempt was made on his life, he was threatened continually and forced to move frequently. Naturally, there was no sorrow in the Communist camp when Matt Cvetic was found dead of an apparent heart attack in his car on a Hollywood street in 1962.

Communists and their friends would like to erase the memory of Matt Cvetic, but it should not be forgotten by loyal Americans.

Inasmuch as he had many friends in the Hollywood motion picture colony, we think it would be appropriate for California's Sen. Murphy to head a movement to accord deserving posthumous honors — including burial in Arlington National Cemetery—to Matt Cvetic, deserving patriot.

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Federal Bureau of
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Gentlemen:

This coming July 26 will be ten years since
Matt Cvetic died.

I wrote a tribute to him at that time that
was published in THE TIDINGS, Catholic weekly
newspaper in Los Angeles.

I had met Matt when he phoned to advertise his
book, the Big Decision. I visited his apartment
on Sunset, had breakfast with him on another
occasion, and corresponded with him on personal
matters several other times.

I was surprised when only a handful attended
his funeral in L.A. before the body was sent to
his family in the east.

My reason for writing you is to inquire whether
you know if any memorial tribute will be given to
this patriot during July. It seems to me someone
ought to single out July 26 and Matt Cvetic.

Sincerely,

[Redacted]

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Matt Cvetic

MATTHEW CVETIC
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Greater love no man hath than that he lay down his life for his fellow man . . . such is the immediate thought of many Americans who knew what Matt Cvetic did for his countrymen.

Faith in God and the love of truth and principle helped him to bear the sacrifices of the strange journey he volunteered to take.

Matt Cvetic voluntarily turned his back on his family to convince the Communists that he would live and believe in Communism and its conspiracy. While his sorrowing family—wife, parents, brothers and sisters disowned him for his traitorous activities, he began for the F.B.I. what eventually were nine harrowing years of successful counter-espionage within the Communist Party.

He carried his burden alone, except for secret encouragement by a personal confessor and F.B.I. agents who realized the vast importance of his findings.

After his exit from the party and his vital testimonies before Congressional committees, a mixture of glorious tributes from the country's great with venomous calumnies from Comrade conspirators, Matt Cvetic was stranded alone again in the passing of time as a vigilante trying to stir Americans from their apathy.

When he spoke before groups, many were amazed at the transformation he evoked on the audience. From a curious whispering perhaps about his size (rejected by Army Intelligence's height requirements), or his shallow voice and unpretentious bearing, the silence of the audience became absolute as he unfolded his fantastic narrative of experiences, and compared his lessons with up-to-date events.

Many have received a new stimulus to patriotism from the spirit that Matt Cvetic continuously illumined in his one-man crusade of lecturing and writing. He shocked his audiences and friends into an awareness of the conspiratorial character of Communism.

Cvetic died on July 26th, the anniversary date in Cuba of a revolution for freedom betrayed by Communist conspirators.

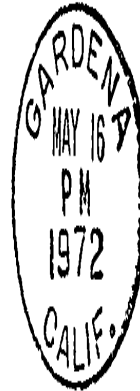
Matthew Cvetic's life work was to preserve the great American revolution for freedom and the product of July 4th, 1776. Perhaps the date of his death is a coincidental sign of warning to apathetic Americans that eternal vigilance, the price of liberty, is needed today.

If the offices of his "Big Decision" are closed (at "Crossroads of the World" near Blessed Sacrament Church in Hollywood), the next tenant may probably have the big decal of the Liberty Bell removed from the door.—E.L.P.

THE TIDINGS

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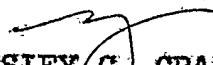
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Dear [Redacted]

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter dated May 15, 1972.

This office knows of no plans for a memorial tribute to be given to Matt Cvetic.

Very truly yours,


WESLEY G. GRAPP
Special Agent in Charge

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